

## Message Text

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R 150829Z APR 77  
FM AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2954  
INFO AMEMBASSY LOME  
AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU  
AMEMBASSY KINSHASA  
AMEMBASSY MONROVIA  
AMEMBASSY NIAMEY

C O N F I D E N T I A L ABIDJAN 3756

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR,CG, AO, US, IV  
SUBJ: U.S. ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE

REF: STATE 82515

1. DCM BRIEFED FOREIGN OFFICE CHIEF OF CABINET KACOU  
ON DETAILS OF U.S. ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE OUTLINED REFTEL.  
KACOU HAD ALREADY SEEN PRESS REPORTS DESCRIBING U.S. MEASURES.

2. KACOU SAID GOIC WOULD BE VERY PLEASED AT U.S. DECISION  
BUT REGISTERED SOME DISMAY AT WHAT HE CALLED "HESITATION  
AND TERGIVERSATION" BY U.S. IN RECENT ACTIONS. KACOU  
SAID SITUATION THROUGHOUT AFRICA WAS OF GRAVE CONCERN  
TO PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET AND GOIC. HE RECALLED TRIPARTITE  
HAVANA DECLARATION WHICH LISTED "REACTIONARY" COUNTRIES  
AGAINST WHICH ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN. KACOU NOTED  
THAT BENIN, CONGO, ETHIOPIA AND ANGOLA HAD ALL FALLEN  
TO RADICAL GOVERNMENTS. WHILE THERE WAS NO IMMEDIATE  
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CONCERN FOR IVORY COAST THE CONTINUED PROGRESS OF  
SOVIETS AND SOVIET-ORIENTED STATES IN WEST AFRICA  
WAS CAUSE FOR ALARM.

3. DCM ASKED WHETHER IVORY COAST WAS PLANNING SOME  
PUBLIC STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR MOBUTO. KACOU REPLIED  
THAT HOUPHOUET PREFERRED SECRET DIPLOMACY BUT THAT

PUBLIC DELCARATION WAS QUITE LIKELY, POSSIBLY IN  
COMMUNIQUE FOLLOWING HOUPHOUET VISIT TO MONROVIA.

4. IN THIS CONNECTION, ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR TOLD  
AMBASSADOR STEARNS THAT GOIC IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING  
AT LEAST TOKEN SHIPMENT OF MATERIAL SUPPORT TO ZAIRE  
PROBABLY IN NEAR FUTURE.  
STEARNS

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